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County, Rancho Cucamonga Partner on Active Shooter Response Program

SAN BERNARDINO – On Tuesday, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors approved a plan to improve student safety in the City of Rancho Cucamonga by creating virtual maps of school campuses that can be utilized by emergency responders.

The City of Rancho Cucamonga partnered with the County Sheriff's Department to secure a \$173,421 U.S. Department of Justice grant to develop and implement an Active Shooter Response program. The funds will pay for two Geographic Information Systems Technicians from the City to photograph, catalog, and map the campuses of participating local high schools and junior high schools.

The collected information will be stored on flash drives so deputies and firefighters can quickly access maps and other data via laptop computers during an emergency, such as a violent person on campus or a hazardous materials spill. The maps will allow first responders to view every aspect of a school campus, including the interiors of room, so they can thoroughly plan their response tactics.

"Ensuring that our first responders have virtual school maps at their fingertips will enhance their ability to protect students and school staff during an emergency," Second District Supervisor Janice Rutherford said. "This partnership between the City of Rancho Cucamonga and the County is another great example of how we can work together to improve our communities."

Second District Supervisor Rutherford represents the cities of Fontana, Rancho Cucamonga and Upland as well as the unincorporated communities of Crestline, San Antonio Heights, Lytle Creek, Devore, and Mt. Baldy.

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